DETERMINATION AND FINDINGS FOR A SOLE SOURCE EXTENSION OF CONTRACT

AGENCY: Office of the Chief Technology Officer

CONTRACT NO.: DCTO-2008-C-0006

CAPTION: Telecommunication Services **CONTRACTOR:** Verizon Washington DC Inc.

FINDINGS

1. **AUTHORIZATION**

D.C. Official Code §2-354.04, 27 DCMR 1304, 1700, 1701 and 2005.6(b)

2. <u>MINIMUM NEED</u>

The Office of The Chief Technology Officer (OCTO) has a need for an extension for Verizon Citywide Telecommunication Custom contract. The period of performance is January 1, 2013 through March 31, 2013.

3. ESTIMATED REASONABLE PRICE

The Not-to-Exceed price is \$4,250,000.00

4. FACTS WHICH JUSTIFY SOLE SOURCE PROCUREMENT

The contract is in its final option year and set to expire December 31, 2012. The Office of Contracting and Procurement, on behalf of the Office of the Chief Technology Officer (OCTO) initiated negotiations with Verizon in preparation of a new contract in April of 2012. Negotiations are still ongoing and have been unsuccessful thus far. The District is in the process of issuing a Request for Information (FRI) as a contingency plan to split the services provided under this contract should negotiations fail.

Currently Verizon is the only known entity to own its network covering the entire District, which is essential in telecommunication actions in critical events such as 9/11 terrorist attack.

Without the current contract, the District will not be able to provide citywide adequate and vital telecommunication services.

CERTIFICATION BY AGENCY HEAD I hereby certify that the above findings are true, correct and complete. Date Robert Mancini Chief Technology Officer 6. CERTIFICATION BY THE CONTRACTING OFFICER I have reviewed the above findings and certify that they are sufficient to justify the use of the sole source method of procurement under the cited authority. I certify that the notice of intent to award a sole source contract was published in accordance with 27 DCMR 1304 and that [no response was received] [the response received was rejected because]. I recommend that the Chief Procurement Officer approve the use of the sole source procurement method for this proposed contract. Priscilla Mack Date **Contracting Officer DETERMINATION** Based on the above findings and in accordance with the cited authority, I hereby determine that it is not feasible or practical to invoke the competitive solicitation process under either Section 402 or 403 of the District of Columbia Procurement Practices Reform Act of 2010 (D.C. Law 18-371; D.C. Official Code § 2-354.02 or 2-354.03). Accordingly, I determine that the District is justified in using the sole source method of procurement. James D. Staton Date

Chief Procurement Officer

Office of Contracting and Procurement

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